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TITLE : METHOD AND MEANS FOR MOUNTING
A WIND TURBINE ON A TOWER

AMENDMENT

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 16, 2001, Paper No. 5 in the
above-entitled application, please enter the following response:

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IN THE ABSTRACT

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Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

An apparatus for mounting a wind turbine on the upper end of a wind turbine tower. The method of erecting the same is also disclosed. The tower is provided with a pair of spaced-apart guide rails positioned at one side thereof which extend from the lower end to the upper end of the tower. A carriage is movably mounted on the guide rails and has a platform pivotally mounted thereon adapted to support the wind turbine thereon. The carriage positions the wind turbine so that the spinner/hub and rotor blades may be secured thereto while the wind turbine is at the lower end of the tower and provides a means for slidably moving the wind turbine from the carriage to the

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